

## Leaf Litter Collection

Annapolis, MD: <http://www.ci.annapolis.md.us/info.asp?page=6792>

- Leaf vacuuming *and* yard recycling – bagged leaves collected every other week, leaves vacuumed three times in the fall

Madison, WI: <http://www.cityofmadison.com/streets/collectionLeaf.cfm>

- Preferred method: Pile leaves loose at street edge. May cover with tarps of plastic sheeting to prevent leaves from blowing away
- Alternative method: Place leaves in open-top bag at edge of street and use compostable paper leaf bags if possible

Cost analysis of leaf collection via bags v. via vacuums for Rock Island, IL:

<http://www2.rigov.org/clerk/Agenda/120808/Public%20Works/expanded%20leaf%20collection%20program%20120208.pdf>

- Leaf vacuuming: increase solid waste budget by \$280,000 per year, divert 4,480 additional labor hours from infrastructure maintenance to fall leaf collection
- Leaf bag pickup: increase solid waste budget by \$98,000 per year, divert 640 additional labor hours from infrastructure maintenance each season

Rock Island County land use map: <http://www.co.rock-island.il.us/uploadedFiles/ZB/Planning/Land%20Use%20Map%2002-15-05.pdf>

Milford leaf vacuuming: <http://www.milford.ma.us/leafremoval.pdf>

- 5 routes each followed once per year in the fall

Franklin yard waste collection:

[http://franklinma.virtuالتownhall.net/Pages/FranklinMA\\_WebDocs/chroniclespring09.pdf](http://franklinma.virtuالتownhall.net/Pages/FranklinMA_WebDocs/chroniclespring09.pdf)

- 3 times a year, all in the spring

Bellingham yard waste collection:

[http://www.bellinghamma.org/Pages/BellinghamMA\\_DPW/0208FE36-000F8513.0/recyclethru072009.pdf](http://www.bellinghamma.org/Pages/BellinghamMA_DPW/0208FE36-000F8513.0/recyclethru072009.pdf)

- 4 times a year – 2 in the fall, 2 in the spring

Waltham, MA (ending leaf vacuuming program due to cost):

<http://www.dailynewstribune.com/homepage/x726977778/Cost-forces-city-to-scrap-its-leaf-vacuuming-program>

- Program costs \$270,000 for 11 weeks (cost includes labor, maintenance of equipment, mechanical work, fuel costs and parts, and payment for a supervisor and two employees to run the program on Saturdays)
- Population (according to 2000 census): 59,226
- 12.7 sq. mi. of land

VacAll: <http://www.ferrex.com/catalog/imginle.html>

- Street sweeper, leaf vacuum, and catch basin cleaner – all in one!